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9-Letters to Sally Johnson, 12/2/1909 - 12/27/1923

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Apr 5 - 18th 15

My dear Mrs. Bageant

Your letter with the
card of introduction I the "have".

General Warfield's leaving school.

Almonac Burns "March" are
speaking. and I will I

think you need - finally I
the bird caught - in giving
me the introduction I attend
as the matter goes - of it

chance. - I think I can arrange
to go. But - as I remember Hotel
Bromwich. There is a long flight
of steps with no railing. If this
is the case I could, not - get
into the hotel any more. Then
I could fly - I can not - life -
any feel - more than two inches
from the ground. .. So can not -
go up stairs unless there is
a strong railing. It would
give me a great deal of pleasure
to be with you. And I would,

be very glad to stay over night at
the hospital. I am such a cripple
that my friends care for me as they
would ^{for} a baby. I can not tell
you how grateful I am for all the
kind attention I receive.

Very sincerely yours
Linda Richards

1677 Middlesex St-

Lowell Mass

May 21 - 20

Miss Grace W. Mayo

Boston Mass

My dear Miss Mayo

I am sorry that I have
nothing but this newspaper print-
to send you - When I visited Miss

Ingeligh in '77 she gave me two

of her books - I gave them to some

mine (I have forgotten to whom I

gave them) much longer than expected

feeling that they would do her more

good than they would me. as she

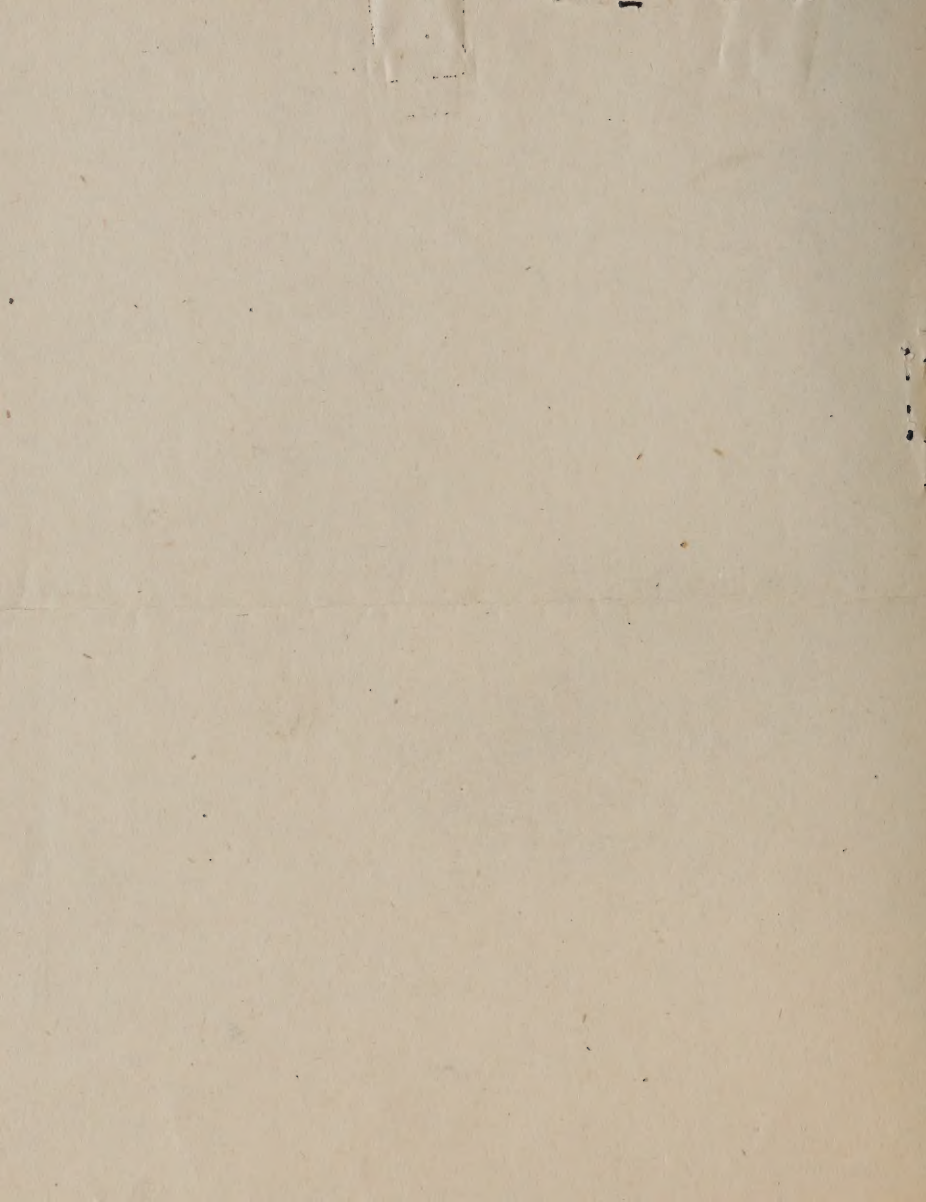
was in active work while my

days of nursing were over -



2/ When I was no longer in active
work I gave to different - museums all
my books on mining - and I
cannot remember to which ones I
gave Miss Lightfingers books -

Very sincerely
Linda Richards



LINDA RICHARDS
P. O. BOX 724
FOXBORO
MASSACHUSETTS

Miss Vallie Johnson Principal Dec 9 - 27
Mass General Hospital
Boston Mass

My dear Miss Johnson

Thank for your very kind letter -
I shall be here till after your graduation exercises
are - I am to go to the Frances Willard
Settlement in North-brook Mass. But the
Committee which I am to hear a room
will not be ready for "guests" till after
the 7th of next month -

I think I would like to go & see
the afternoon of the day before the
graduating exercises I would like

My dear Mr. [Name]
I have just received your letter of the 10th inst. and am
glad to hear that you are well. I am
also well and hope this finds you the same.

I have not much news to write at present.
The weather here is very pleasant and
the crops are doing well. I have not
yet had time to write you more fully.

I am sure you will be interested to hear
that the children are all well and
growing. I have not time to write
you more fully at present.

I am, dear Mr. [Name], very
truly yours,
[Signature]

I like to have a little talk with you
to make sure that I make no
blunders - And I think you
can give me some necessary points -
I do not want to trouble you too
much. And I will try to take as
little of your time as possible

LINDA RICHARDS
P. O. BOX 724
FOXBORO
MASSACHUSETTS

Very sincerely yours
Linda Richards

1892

JOHN W. L. L. L.

Dear Sir,
I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the matter of the
and in reply to inform you that the same has been forwarded to the proper authorities for their consideration.
Very respectfully,
John W. L. L. L.

LINDA RICHARDS
P. O. BOX 724
FOXBORO
MASSACHUSETTS

Miss Lillian M. Johnson Jan 12-24
Mass Genl. Hospital
Boston Mass

My dear Miss Johnson

I want to thank you for

all the kindness shown me
while I was at the Hospital - and to
thank you for the letter mugs.
Just what I want and will not

break. May this year be filled full
to overflowing with such things for you.

Most sincerely yours
Linda Richards

P. O. BOX 724

FOXBORO, MASSACHUSETTS

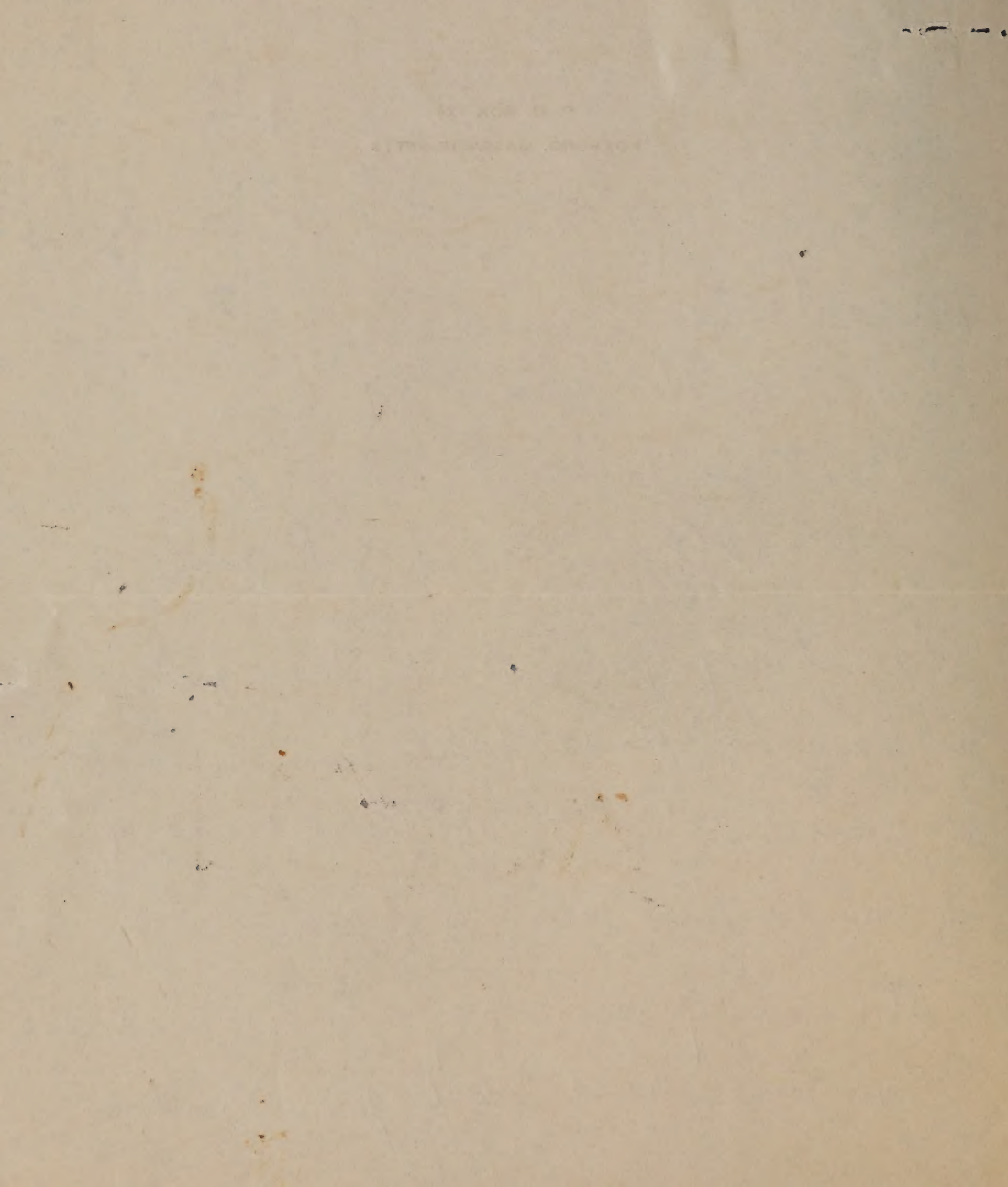
October 26th - 23

Miss Sallie Johnson
Mass. Genl. Hospital
Boston Mass

My dear Miss Johnson

I am truly grateful to you for
making it possible for me to
be present at the 50th Anniversary
of the Boston Evening School -

It certainly was a great success and
you have just cause for pride

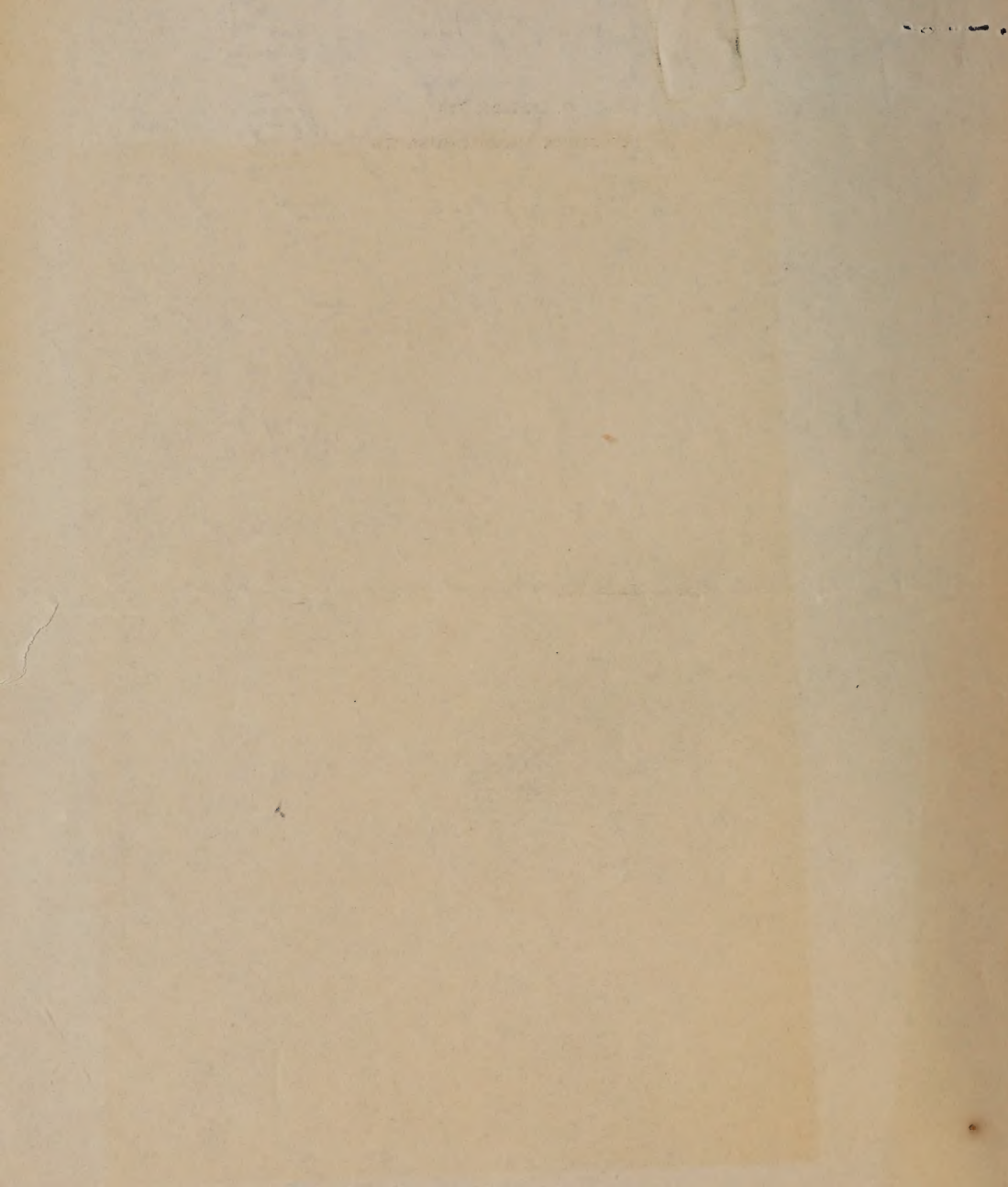


•-pride that Every Thing passed off
so splendidly- I like it over
here in my room - And it will
remain in my memory as long
as I live -

P. O. BOX 724
FOXBORO, MASSACHUSETTS

I hope you and Miss Hall will
ride out here to see me - It
is a pleasant ride. and I will
be very glad to see you.

Sincerely yours
Linda Richards



Pl. May 724

Forbes Mass

Oct 8th 23

Miss Alice Johnson
Mass Gail. Hospital
Boston Mass

Dear Miss Johnson

I have been away for

ten days. I returned last evening
and found your letter and
one from Miss Potter.

Please don't say more to

you can best spare -

I am sorry that I make so
much trouble when I am

invited - I & my Pleas -

But I feel anxious to be

invited to attend the

Anniversary of the Mass. Hospital

Hospital being I hope - I am

and have always been very
fond and proud of that school.

Please excuse poor writing - my
eyes are for you good -

Very sincerely Yours

Miss Richards

37 ROCKLAND AVENUE

WOONSOCKET, R. I.

Sept 27 - 23

My dear Miss Johnson

My address after Oct - ^{1st}/₄ -
will be P.O. Box 724 Foxboro Mass
I do not want to miss the Annual
Quarterly which you are so kind
to have sent to me and which
I very much enjoy - so I keep
you informed of my whereabouts -
I hope the summer has not
been too hard upon you

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37 ROCKLAND AVENUE

WOONSOCKET, R. I.

And that you are feeling very
fresh for the winter's work -

Very Sincerely yours
Linda Richards

P. O. Box 21

Forbaird Mass

Jan 16th 23

Miss Sallie Johnson
Mass. Genl. Hospital
Boston Mass -

My dear Miss Johnson

Please pardon me for
intruding upon your over taxed
time - But I want knowledge
which I am sure you can

Y. Gine - Can you give me the
name and Address of the Sup^t of
Nurses of the Floating Hospital?

A Japanese Nurse Graduate of
the Hackensack Hospital Hackensack
N. J. - who is now taking a course
in English at Columbia University
N. Y. - is very anxious to have some
training in the care of children
while she is in this country -

And I think she can get no better
instruction than in the hands
of the Floating Hospital - And as
I do not know the Sup^t of Nurses
or her address I appeal to you -
Can you please - Will I write
you asking you to convey to the
Graduates of the M. G. H. Training
School my deep appreciation
of the message you gave

3/ We frame them (you
included) at the time of
the fiftieth Anniversary
of the N. E. N. Living School.
I can not tell you how
deeply I appreciate that
message. or how much it
means - and will always
mean to me - and I will
be very glad to have all
you nurses know it.

Very Sincerely Yours
Linda Richards

P. S. I will add this that some
of our strongest opposers -
a year becomes our firmest -
friends. Please excuse all
errors as I have not been
well since I left Cambridge.
Nor was I well for some time
before I left - and my hands
are very shaky -

Very sincerely
Richard Richards



To me as the optimum
of Vietnam 31st - It was more
than I dreamed in 1960

the price for drinking
broth in 1960 - It was
all very good but we had
me feel very small - I have
been dead in Cambodia
it became my eyes have
been out of focus and giving
me much trouble -

Most sincerely yours
Linda Mushinski

P.O. Box 21
Fort Lee, N.J.
Nov 17th 22

Miss Julie Johnson
Miss Paul Stoepel

My dear Miss Johnson

With you please
tell the members of the N.S.A.
leaving school and studying
appreciate their message

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P.O. Part 642 Toronto Ont

Jan 16-22

My dear Miss Johnson

Can you give me
Miss R. Helen Cleland's
address? I have lost
her and would like
to find her again.

Please excuse me
for giving you this

trouble. I thought of
as the one person I
could be sure had
an address - sending
you in advance of
me

Yours very sincerely
Lester Richards

P.O. Box 642 Taylors Mass

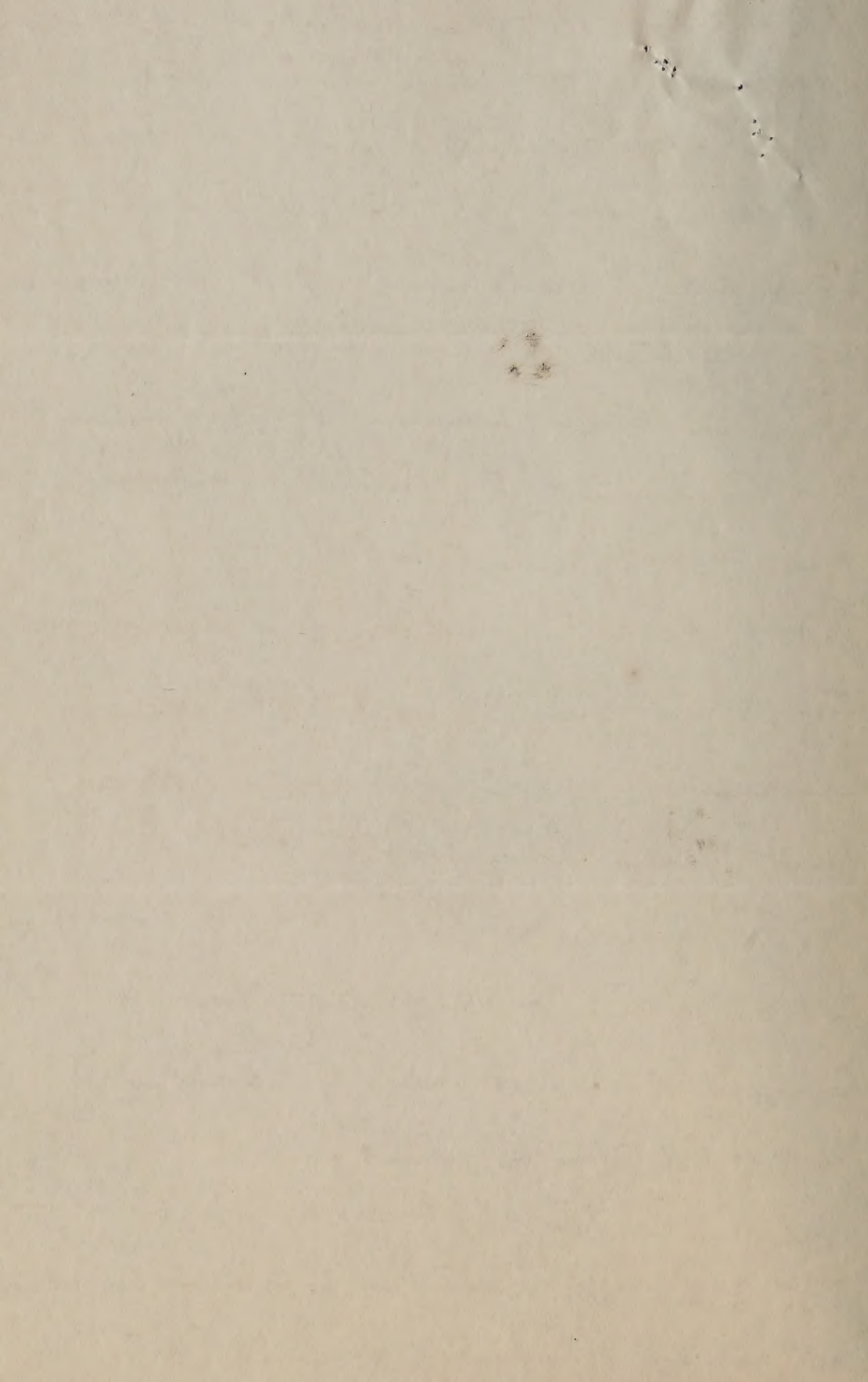
April 17-21

Miss Sallie Johnson Sept. nurse
Mass General Hospital
Boston Mass

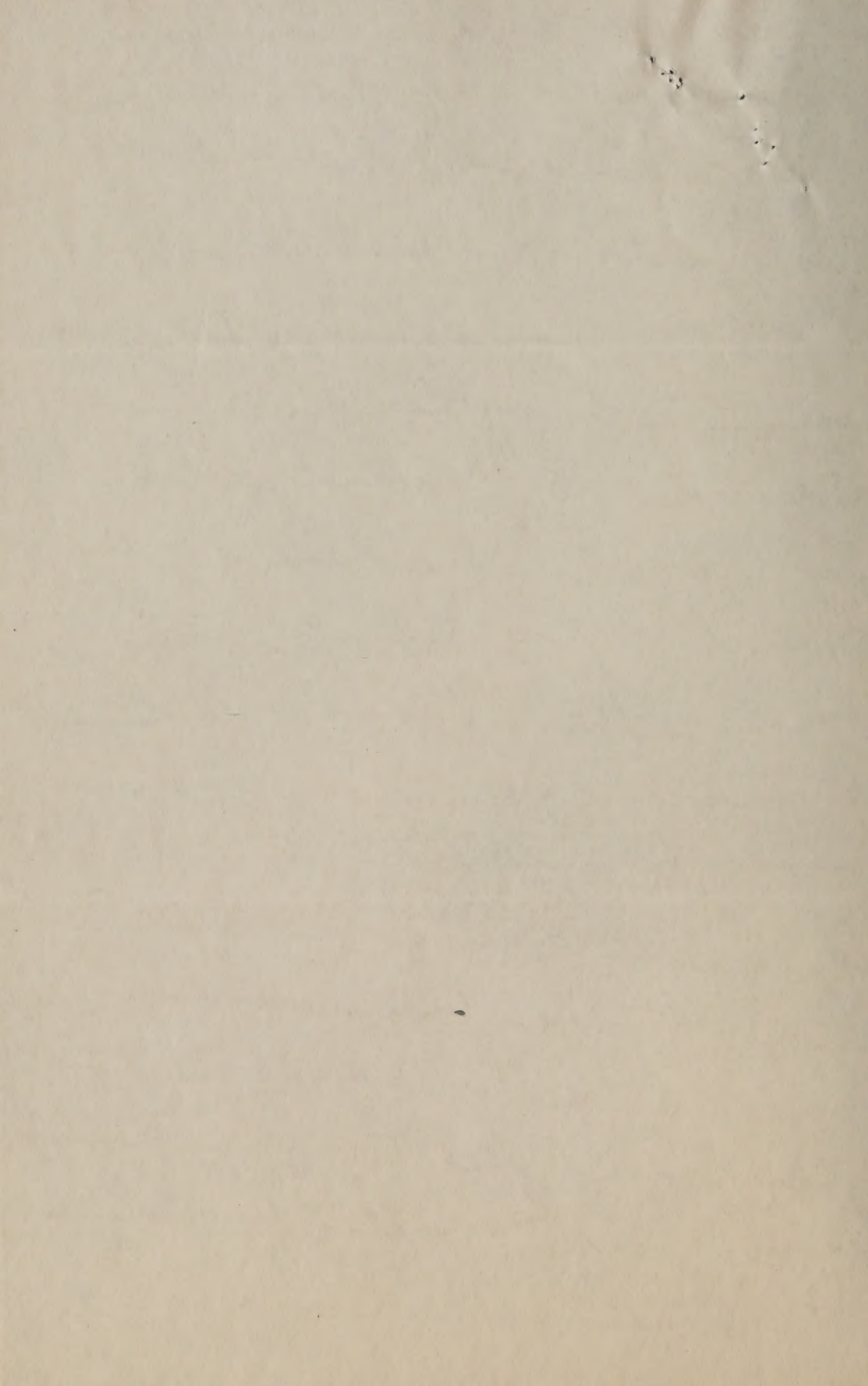
My dear Miss Johnson

Your letter of the 16th reached me last evening; I left Cambridge Mass 26th and am here permanently - I was not well any of the time I was in Cambridge and left coming here to relatives and to be among old friends - I wish I could see you & greet you by word of mouth & find of the times when we were in Washington would like for

2) His Address - Mrs M. G. H. Livingston
was born Nov 1st (I think that was
the exact date) 1973 - I was invited
& taken charge of it. But I had
also an invitation to go to Bellum
as night-supt - in their school
which had been organized
in the Spring of '73. And feeling
my insufficient knowledge of
Tidley school, matter & intention
the organizing of a 2nd school I
accepted the Bellum offer &
went there. I had first fear of the
Moss General Hospital Living School
was quite inadequate for all
concerned. Two Supts tried to
make it a success. But the
medical staff strongly opposed
it. And no hands were
or band to the cheer of it.



3) Her first - and last - a real lady
who had had only two months in
a hospital - left at the end of
two months - Her successor was
a German woman who had seen
service in many hospitals and
who had no knowledge of
Training Schools - She remained in
charge of the school ten
months - Then I was asked
to take the position - and very
blindly I accepted the call -
The school was in a chaotic
state. It had three words -
word A. and two words in the
(Oldy Brick) the two foul words
of the hospital - She was called
the school a failure. She



The Ladies Bazaar made a strong
appeal for its life. The Hospital
Board of Trustees & reconcile both
the laws and the Ladies granted
one year more of life provided
a graduate nurse could be
found to take charge of it. I
was asked to take the position
and with no knowledge of the
work of the first year I
accepted and went to the
School. To make a long story
short - we in the face of strong
opposition lived and at the
end of my first year the School
was in charge of the nursing
of all the wards with the exception
of ward B. The private ward
you know the progress made
by the School since that

5) Times - Could I see you I
could tell you of some of the
battles fought - and victories
won - But - it has a home
earned by many scholars - a
home which stands high -
will stand higher as the
years go on and additional
ground won are built - for
it - & ^{do} their shares in making
a glorious record for the
School - With the sincere
wishes for your prosperity and
that of the School you are the
harvest hand and the hope
that I may see you in the
near future I am

Very Sincerely Yours
Linda Richards

